GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Report on Lynching Incidents
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union and the State Governments have received any intelligence reports indicating a possible upsurge in lynching, vigilantism and mob attacks, if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(b) if not, whether the Government has asked for such reports and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government has directed the States witnessing such incidents to submit status report in this regard, if so, the details thereof and the response of the States along with action taken by the Government thereon; and

(d) whether most of the perpetrators in the said cases have been released on bail, if so, the details thereof along with the number of accused absconding, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (d): National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) maintains data on offences promoting enmity between different groups on ground of religion, race, place of birth etc. (Section 153A & 153B of IPC) and State/UT-wise cases during 2014-2015 is at Annexure. 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects under the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India. The responsibilities to maintain law and order, protection of life and property rest primarily with the respective State Governments. The State Governments are competent to deal with such offences under the provisions of law.

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